

## THE MARBLE HILL PRESS.

SEVENTEENTH YEAR.

The columns of this Press are always free  
to the people of the county for the discussion  
of questions of local interest.

And now they say John Sherman admits that he has seen enough left to freeze onto his job.

HENRY GEORGE, the Jeffersonian democracy's candidate for mayor of Greater New York, died of apoplexy last Friday morning.

It is said that Count Boni de Castellane, who married Jay Gould's daughter, is making her millions hum. Well, that's what Boni married for.

It looks as if every congressional district in Missouri will furnish a candidate for governor, with several to spare in some of them, before the campaign is fairly opened.

THE MARBLE HILL PRESS is one of the nearest printed exchanges we receive.—Fredericktown News. Many thanks. But we can truthfully say that, besides being neatly gotten up, the News is the fairest and most independent republican exchange that comes to this shop.

A MAN in Cartersville, Ga., Rev. Sam Jones' town, has purchased the gallows on which a man was hanged and built a henhouse of the lumber. He has never had a chicken stolen from it, and it is said that the colored brother won't go within a block of it if he can possibly avoid it. We'd like to know if Brother Jones put that fellow on to the gallows racket.

THERE is some talk about Judge Fox resigning his circuit judgeship. We hope there is no truth in the report. Judge Fox is one of the ablest jurists in the state.—Cape Girardeau Democrat.

We are of opinion that the people of this judicial district will be so unanimous in their desire to retain Judge Fox in his position that he will hardly refuse to serve them. He is not only one of the ablest jurists, but one of the purest, best men in the state.

GROVER CLEVELAND JR., has arrived, and the longings of a fond couple have been realized. What the young sovereign will do in the world can not be predicted with accuracy, but when the wise ones get through casting his horoscope no doubt we will be told of wondrous things that are to happen. The elder children, the two little girls, are said not to be "bright," a calamity that has given Mrs. Cleveland much trouble. If the boy thrives he will make happy the hearts of both parents, and here's hoping he may be a lusty fellow.

THE NEW YORK SUN is a stanch republican paper. It hates the Bryan democracy as bad as the Globe-Democrat does, and yet you never see in its columns any obituary of Bryan or the free silver movement, simply because the Sun is not fool enough to try to deceive itself or the public by such rot when it knows that the free silver movement with Bryan at its head stands more threateningly in the way of the republican party than it has ever stood before. The New York Sun does not mystify the issue. It realizes that international bimetalism is a sham and that the only light now is between the gold standard and free silver at 16 to 1.

It is very apparent that the enemies of democracy do not believe what they say when they declare William Jennings Bryan to be dead politically. Else they would stop making so much fuss over him. The political stiff soon passes into obscurity; he does not continue a target for criticism and abuse—for this would be a waste of ammunition. There are some notable examples in this country. But William Jennings Bryan is not one of them. On the contrary, he continues to be the most talked of man in America today—President McKinley and ex-President Cleveland not excepted. This has its significance and it is idle to deny it—no matter what the result may be. It is conclusive proof that William Jennings Bryan is a very live wire, and his enemies are still engaged in trying to cover him up. The fact is, Bryan is just as much alive as is the democratic party, and the enemies of both fully realize it. All of this talk to the contrary simply emanates from those who seek to bury J. W. Bryan alive, in the hope of dealing a death blow to the issue of which he is the greatest living exponent, and the ultimate triumph of which certain interests in this country so much fear. No, Bryan is still as full of force and life and courage and fire as ever, and the democratic party is more united, more determined, more

hopeful than ever. If these things were not so you would hardly hear more than a passing mention of either; certainly the constant, unceasing attack of the enemy would cease—for nobody but a fool would continue to fire at a dead duck.

SOME time ago Irl Hicks predicted that the backbone of the drought was almost broken. The conditions of the weather, he said, were about ended, and from the end of October to the last of December many violent autumnal and winter storms will prevail. Prophet Hicks is sticking many feathers in his cap, because his predictions last winter and summer have been fulfilled, almost to the letter. Last winter he predicted the heaviest flood and the overflow yet fresh in the mind bore him out. In the spring he forecasted the drought, which has prevailed with such disastrous results. His third prophecy in regard to the fall was as true as the others, so far.

A Boon to Science. The successful installation of the great Yerkes telescope at Lake Geneva, Wis., during the past week calls attention to the rapid strides which the science of astronomy has made in recent years.

Although the study of the heavens began upon the plains of Chaldea more than four thousand years ago, the science of astronomy is still incomplete. Indeed, with the exception of those great fundamental laws which govern the movements of the planetary bodies, our knowledge of the vast universe about us is not only limited in character, but for the most part speculative and uncertain. As to the fixed stars which keep their nightly vigils over the earth there is absolutely nothing of any scientific value known. As yet astronomy has failed to penetrate the mystery which shrouds these distant orbs; and even the sun itself, which lights up the universe with its refulgent rays, still refuses to unfold to scientific research the secret of its own dazzling fires.

But, in spite of the ignorance which still obscures our contemplation of the heavens, the progress of astronomy in recent years has, nevertheless, been marked along certain lines. In the various institutions of learning throughout the country deeper interest is today taken in the study of astronomy problems than ever before in our history. This is due in some measure, perhaps, to the magnificent sums of money which have been expended in recent years upon the building of monster telescopes, but even these magnificent expenditures owe their existence in great measure to the progress in astronomy occasioned by preceding researches.

Up to the completion of the Yerkes telescope at Lake Geneva, the largest structure of its kind in this country, or in the world, as for that matter, was the famous Lick telescope on Mount Hamilton, California. But the Yerkes telescope now rightly claims the first place, says the Atlanta Constitution. Its gigantic lens is 25 per cent more powerful than that of the Lick telescope, while other modern improvements still further increase its advantages. The telescope is the gift of Charles T. Yerkes of Chicago to the university of that city, and represents in its elaborate mechanism the sum of \$200,000.

Work upon the monster telescope began some five years ago, and the time occupied in building it shows the gigantic and yet at the same time exceedingly delicate character of the structure. This magnificent gift to science is bound to produce splendid results; and besides arousing greater popular interest in astronomy, there is no telling to what discoveries it may lead the eye of scientific research.

JACKSON CASH-BOOK: John Drumm, aged about 27 years, formerly of this county, was accidentally shot and killed by his sister at his home near Hines' Landing, in Illinois, Oct. 23. His remains were brought to this county and buried in New Salem graveyard last Sunday. John Drumm was a son of Lewis Drumm, deceased, and lived with his mother and sisters. On last Saturday he and a hired hand and his sister Rubie were going to a field to gather corn. The hired man, a young man under 20 years of age, had a pistol in his pocket. It dropped from his pocket, and Rubie Drumm, a girl about 16 years of age, picked the weapon up and snapped it, and it fired, the bullet striking her brother in the head. He died in a few minutes after. The hired man was arrested on suspicion that something might be wrong, but escaped from the officer.

JACKSON COMET: Chas. Birkman and Miss Mary J. Miller were married in the circuit clerk's office at the court house Wednesday, Oct. 27, Squire Grant performing the ceremony. The bride is a daughter of ex-Judge John A. Miller, of Bollinger county.

## Our Correspondents.

GLEN ALLEN.

After an absence I will come again with a few items for your valuable paper.

Many hearts have been made glad on account of the splendid rain, as water would have soon become an article of commerce.

I learn that young Burns is getting along reasonably well. Mrs. Albert Stevens left for Kansas on last Saturday's train. Mr. Stevens intends to drive his team through.

The Baptists have been holding revival services here for about ten days. Revs. MacCurdy, Davant and others led the meetings and much interest has been manifested.

It is sincerely hoped that much good has been accomplished.

Miss Agnes Whitener came down Saturday and attended the meetings.

Mrs. Avery Zimmerman is preparing to move to Fredericktown this week.

Mrs. E. S. Pile of DeSoto came down to attend the revival meetings and on her return home Miss Ella McDonald accompanied her.

Noah Burns and wife of Sikeston and George Burns and wife of Poplar Bluff are visiting their brother, who was so badly hurt by the accident in a baseball game a week ago.

John Nelson is reported quite sick.

Mon. Myers moved his family to DeSoto last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Green have a sick child.

Little Nannie Barks has been struggling with chills.

Miss May Lauchlin looks sad and kinder heartbroken. Cheer up, May, he will get well.

With best wishes for the grand old Press and its many readers.

TORSY.

Here I come again.

Health is good in this locality at present.

Nearly everybody has finished gathering corn.

The terrible drought is ended at last. No more dry cisterns and water hauling for awhile. Instead, we will drink pure, good water, as nearly every cistern was thoroughly cleaned and put in good order.

W. H. Scott was in Cape Girardeau county the other day.

John Finney of Leopold passed through our town with a bunch of cattle Thursday.

Our boys keep the roads warm "scorching" on their bicycles.

Marshall and Bedford Thacker have returned from Kansas.

Our teacher, J. J. Chostner, is moving right along with his school. Just keep on, professor, at your present gait, and everybody will be satisfied.

I am pained to report that it has been the will of the Lord to remove one of our best citizens, Benton Revelle, from our midst. I extend heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family. Our great consolation is that if we live up to the commands of our Lord and Savior we will meet him again and in a better world. We should all be very thankful that we have, in Christ, this consolation.

Mr. and Mrs. Chostner visited relatives and friends near Scopus Saturday and Sunday.

Long life to THE PRESS and its many readers. SNYDER DICK.

RAIN, RAIN BEAUTIFUL RAIN!

The long drought was broken Sunday by mild showers, and it still continues to rain.

Ye correspondents will vote for the fall to-day. (Hal hal)

E. F. Teeters went to Allenville Sunday.

Miss Julia Schoebel visited Miss Maud Sample of Lutesville.

Prof. K. L. Teeters was home to see his mother Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Barks visited their daughter in Cape county the other week.

Corn gathering is the order of the day now, the crop being much shorter this year than for several years.

J. T. Teeters returned to his home at Fredericktown after a short stay with his parents.

Miss Olla Rogers has returned home after a month's visit with her uncle and aunt in New Madrid, county.

Mrs. O. M. Schoebel and Mattie Teeters visited the Union Ridge school last week; they report everything moving on nicely.

We are glad to report Mrs. C. M. Johnson convalescent.

Mrs. S. A. Martin shipped a car of corn from Morley last week and had it stored away at the county farm.

F. G. Whitener and family of Greenlee visited Isham Teeters' family last week.

Miss Emma Petty was confined to her room with throat trouble for several days.

James Turner is about done drilling wheat for his neighbors.

Our Sunday school still continues with a good number of scholars present.

Mrs. O. M. Schoebel's mother and sister of Kansas are guests at the Schoebel home.

Rev. W. H. Barker is attending the revival meeting at Cole's chapel this week.

Clarence, please do not slam the gate. Hal ha. Toop and Toop, within thee!

## ZALMA.

We had a little rain Sunday. L. A. Pool of Quincy, Ill., was in our city last week on business.

Sheriff Nenniger was here last Friday delivering the poll books.

W. H. Killian of Lutesville was here on the 28th ult.

Hon. O. J. Snider was in town last week. He took a few grocers' orders.

A little child of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Williams died on the 29th.

F. M. Womick of Wayne county was in town Saturday.

Presenting Attorney J. W. Caldwell, Dr. C. M. Whitmer and C. A. Sander of Marble Hill passed through town on the 29th, on a hunt to the swamps.

Henry Jamison has bought out W. A. Looney's crop.

A. S. Green of Hahn was in our town last week.

McMinn Bros. have sold their stock of merchandise to L. B. James.

The invoice commenced last Wednesday and was completed Friday night. Mr. James will go to St. Louis about the middle of the week to lay in full line of goods.

J. W. Dixon attended to the postoffice last week.

S. J. McMinn will resign as postmaster in a few days. Then we will have a republican postmaster.

Our town looks very lonesome since the mill burnt.

R. James is talking of rebuilding his store in a short time.

McMinn Bros. are talking of rebuilding their mill next summer.

We only have one mail a day now. It leaves Zalma at 7 o'clock a. m. and arrives at 8 o'clock p. m.

ALLEN ARDON.

Another Bad Blaze.

Last Saturday morning, about 5 o'clock, the mill belonging to Judge B. F. Slinkard, near Patton, was discovered in flames.

The whole structure, together with a fine lot of tools, Judge Slinkard's books, a quantity of corn and other valuables, was totally destroyed.

Judge Slinkard carried no insurance and the loss will fall heavily upon him, as the mill was his sole source of support, he being a cripple.

The origin of the fire is rather suspicious, but nothing definite has developed.

We hope Judge Slinkard's many friends will come to his assistance and aid him in starting again, as he is a worthy, good citizen.

St. Louis Post-Dispatch: D. C. Bollinger, a farmer from Stoddard county, with business at the stock yards, had a touch of city life Wednesday when a south-bound Broadway cable car knocked him about ten feet and sprawled him on the granite blocks.

With five other farmers he had just stepped off of a north-bound Broadway car at Washington avenue, when the south-bound car came along. Bollinger was too busy talking to his companions to see the car. A patrol wagon took him to the City Dispensary, where Dr. Kearney found him badly bruised about the body, but no bones were broken. He said he would return home.

Cape Democrat: The Cotton Belt railroad lawyers found Louis Houck loaded for bear when they tackled him in the Circuit court in this county. It was a case of "Big game was Alexander, papa."

Big salaries and fine palaces, cars don't go in a court of justice. There are lots of crooks in the law and it takes brains to locate the crooks.

As True as Gospel.

Never mind the world, it floats with the stream; it is the duty of man to swim against the stream.

Of that noble courtesy which makes true gentleness, the finest grade is sensitiveness to gratitude.

Every man has some peculiar train of thought, which he falls back upon when he is alone. This to a great degree molds the man.

The good and noble, when passed from the daylight of life, leave behind a twilight of memory full of suggestions of starry spheres.

In pioneer days people often followed paths blazed through the woods. Follow the path marked by the footprints of the goodly in all ages. It will lead you home.

Life must always be a compromise between common sense and the ideal—the one abating nothing of its demands, the other accommodating itself to what is practicable and real.

If good manners are not practiced at home, boys are allowed to be by until occasion calls upon them; wear to assume them, they are sure to be a bad fit when donned.

Every life is a profession of faith, and exercises an inevitable and silent propaganda. Every man is a beacon which entices a ship upon the rocks if it does not guide it into port.

It is hard to personate and act a part longer where truth is not at the bottom, nature will always be endeavoring to return, and will peep out and betray herself one time or other.

In order to reach perfection it is absolutely necessary to have either faithful friends or implacable enemies, since we must be sensible of our failings, either by the admonition of the former, or by the incentives of the latter.

The ideal under all its forms is the anticipation and the prophetic vision of that existence, higher than his own, toward which every being perpetually aspires. Watch, then, the development of the soul toward development of the angel within thee!

NEW CLASSIFICATION.

"You wish to rent the house then?" "Yes, sir."

"What is your name?" "Elihu, sir."

"Married or single?" "Neither—I'm a widow."

—Harper's Bazar.

It would seem to be about time for Distater-Barrios to follow the famous southern South American potatoes and seek the comfortable expatriation of Paris.

## The Call of the Angels.

Lylin' 'thar, patient, from day ter day—

Wearin' 'thar, patient, from day ter day—

But never somethin', an' when she crieth—

His mother, settin' 'thar at his side,

Layin' his hand in hers—so kind,

An' tellin' her "Mother, never mind!"

Though he knowed well, an' we was shore

Death was waitin' outside the door!

"I'd like ter stay whar my own folks be,

But I hear the angels callin' me!"

(Poor little feller! so pale an' 'slim—

What did the angels want with him?)

Lylin' 'thar, patient, from night ter night,

An' she like a ghost in the lonesome light—

His mother—holdin' his hand, as though

Not even her Death would let him go!

An' hearin' the wind, so soft an' 'sweet,

An' sayin', "It's the fall of the angels' feet!"

I'd like ter stay whar my own folks be,

But they're always callin'—callin' me!"

An' still with his eyes on her face, so kind,

An' whisperin', "Mother, never mind!"

(Poor little feller! so pale an' 'slim—

What did the angels want with him?)

—Frank L. Stanton.

## PROGRAMME

Of Southeast Missouri Bible Institute,  
to be held at Fredericktown  
Nov. 15, 16, 17 and 18.

MONDAY, NOV. 15—EVENING.  
Sermon.....J. C. Armstrong, D. D.

TUESDAY, 16—MORNING.  
Devotional Exercises.

Election of Officers.  
Address of welcome.....Rev. A. A. Craig

"The Benefits of the Bible".....Rev. A. A. Craig

.....Rev. A. B. MacCurdy, D. D.

Sermon.....Minister to be selected

AFTERNOON.  
Devotional Exercises.

"The Atonement".....Rev. A. K. Willet

Open Discussion of Paper.

"Work of Holy Spirit in Man's Redemption".....Rev. W. A. Jones

Question Box.

EVENING.  
"Early Work in the Roman Empire".....Rev. W. G. Reeves

WEDNESDAY, 17—MORNING.  
Devotional Exercises.

"The Resurrection of the Dead".....Rev. B. M. Bogard

Discussion of Paper.

"The Preacher as a Citizen".....Rev. J. C. Hemmick

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"Influence of Good Books".....Rev. T. A. Bowman

AFTERNOON.  
Devotional Exercises.

Miscellaneous Business.

"The Holy Spirit in Connection with the Ministry".....Rev. B. L. Bowman

"Our Lord's Temptation".....Rev. A. B. MacCurdy, D. D.

Address.....Rev. W. G. Reeves

Arrangement for Next Meeting.

EVENING.  
Sermon, "Prayer and Prayer Meetings".....Rev. B. M. Bogard

THURSDAY, 18—MORNING.  
Devotional Exercises.

"Jesus, the Man of Prayer".....Rev. S. P. Brito

"How I Have Been Helped by the Institution".....Remarks from different ministers

Closing services.....Minister to be selected

Fifteen minutes' social meeting before separating and final adjournment.

Thanksgiving Proclamation.

President McKinley has issued his first Thanksgiving proclamation. Following is the document:

"In remembrance of God's goodness to us during the last year, which has been so abundant, let us offer unto Him our thanksgiving and pay our vows unto the Most High. Under His watchful providence industry has prospered, the rewards of labor have been improved, the comforts of the household have been multiplied. His mighty hand has preserved peace and protected the nation. Respect for law and order has been strengthened, love of free institutions cherished and all sections of our beloved country brought into closer bonds of fraternal regard and generous co-operation.

"For these great benefits it is our duty to praise the Lord in a spirit of humility and gratitude and to offer up to Him our most earnest supplications. That we may acknowledge our obligation as a people to Him who has so graciously granted us the blessings of free government and material prosperity, I, William McKinley, President of the United States, do hereby designate and set apart Thursday, the 25th day of November, for national thanksgiving and prayer, which all of the people are invited to observe with appropriate religious services in their respective places of worship.

"On this day of rejoicing and domestic reveries let our prayers ascend to the giver of every good and perfect gift for the continuance of His love and favor to us, that our hearts may be filled with charity and good will and that we may be ever worthy of His beneficent concern.

"In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed. Done at the City of Washington, this twenty-ninth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand, eight hundred and ninety-seven, and of the independence of the United States the one hundred and twenty-second.

[L.S.] (Signed) "Wm. McKinley,  
"By the President JOHN SHERMAN, Secretary of State."

## George M. Pullman.

The story of the life of George M. Pullman, whose sudden death occurred on the 19th inst., is typical of the romances which are to be found in the history of American fortune-making.

Like the founders of nearly all the other great fortunes in this country, Mr. Pullman started in life with nothing but his courage and his brains.

He worked for a mere pittance and accumulated a first capital very slowly. Then, partly because of his ability and resource, partly because he entered upon the field just at the time when conditions were ripe for the enterprise, he began to make enormous strides in laying the foundations of the system which was to bring him millions and fame.

With some other millionaires, Mr. Pullman had the advantage of living at a time when opportunities were open and the onward rush of civilization bore to success various enterprises which happened to be inaugurated in the right hour.

A contemporary says: "To him more than to any other man is due the perfection of one of the great conveniences of the age. To him is due the building up of a system which has made travel a thing of luxurious ease. The plans which were perfected by his persistent labor and his inventive facilities have effected a revolution in modern travel, and are slowly but surely forcing the railway companies across the ocean to offer similar comforts to the traveling public there.

"It was a sign of the breadth of Mr. Pullman's enterprise that later in life he should have extended his work so far as to take up the scheme of a 'model city' for his employees, constructing it on what he believed to be the most scientific lines. His fame will always be connected with this notable economic experiment, and whatever its past success, it must stand as a token that the man was too broad to be content with successes of a more practical nature.

Mr. Pullman, indeed, was a type of the advanced business man, always looking forward to progressive ventures in business. If he failed to meet some of the more urgent problems of the day in an equally liberal spirit, it may be said that he was undoubtedly guided by conviction, and that he had in him none of that element of doubt which differentiates the thinker from the man of affairs.

While we cannot say that we see the strength of their opponents' opposition even before they can see that of their own."

Things You Ought to Know.

The "learned professions" of Italy comprise 295,000 persons.

The chemical name of Epson salts is sulphate of magnesium.

There are 10,800 teachers in the diminutive kingdom of Belgium.

Epping Forest is the largest public recreation ground in the world.